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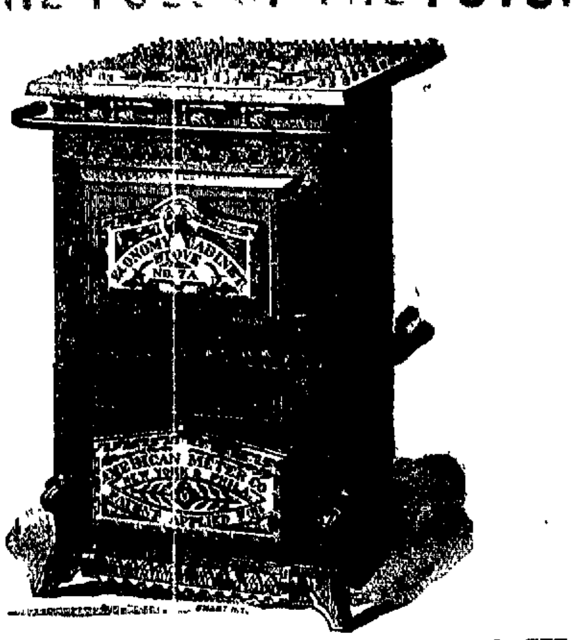

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June 17-dtf

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

—"Depot," says a purist, must only be used when it is a terminal point; along the route the word should be station.

—King Charles of Roumania reads all the proofs of his wife's stories and corrects them for the printer. A revise is then submitted to the Queen.

—Gailwumps, according to the New York *Tribune*, are theater-goers who leave their seats between acts and step on other people's toes while going out.

—An industrious Maine boy recently sold over twenty pounds of lead to an Augusta junk dealer. It was rifle balls which he had dug from the embankment back of the State militia practice targets.

—Mosquitoes in China have a very poisonous sting. In a Tientsin hospital there were at one time this summer a man with an abscess in his face and another with blood poisoning from the bite of the insects.

—A fisherman at Asbury Park, N. J., picked up a sealed bottle on the coast containing a map showing where an alleged treasure is buried at a place near Wilmington, Del. The discovery has aroused a good deal of curiosity there.

—Bavaria's late mad King's personal effects were sold at Munich recently. A pair of scarlet trousers brought ten pounds; a pair of musical brushes did not sell, because the "music wouldn't go." The saddest thing in the collection was the King's inseparable bedfellow during the last four years—a stuffed monkey.

—A little girl while playing one day recently on a porch at Wallingford, Conn., was startled by a large bird flying over her head. The bird flew a short distance away and returned again and was caught and held by the child until her parents, who heard the noise, came out and secured it. It proved to be a full grown partridge, apparently unhurt.

—A colored man of Smithville, Ga., finding that his lady love had been locked in the house by her father, climbed down the chimney. The father, on returning, discovered the dusky Adonis with his daughter, besmeared with soot. "Da ain't no use in stoppin' dem," said the old man. "De debbil is after dem, but the Lawd work wid um. L'em go along."

—The New York *World*, which is always seeking to attract public attention, now comes out as the champion of mothers-in-law and old maids. It truly says that there is no basis for one tenth of the cheap wit about mothers-in-law and old maids that circulates through the papers. Likewise it remarks there are lots of handsome old maids, wherein it is quite right.—*Boston Transcript.*

—In Germany the average duration of the life of gardeners, mariners and fishermen is fifty-eight years; butchers, fifty-four years; carpenters and bricklayers, forty-nine years; compositors and lithographers, forty-one years, and laborers, thirty-two years. Of the professions the average lifetime of clergymen is sixty-seven years, teachers, fifty-seven years, lawyers, fifty-four years, and physicians, forty-nine years.—*Public Opinion.*

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THURSDAY EVE., DEC. 15, 1887.

J. C. COCHRANE, the architect of the Illinois state house, died in Chicago on Tuesday, aged 54.

ONE of the most discouraging features of the current tariff agitation is the fact that it has started Lorenzo Dow Whiting to writing for the newspapers. Misfortunes never come singly.

IT is said that the people of Wichita, Kansas, get away with two million bottles of beer every three months. For a city of 30,000 people in a prohibition state, that may be called doing fairly well.

THE federal court in Cincinnati did not give much grace to Harper, the bank wrecker. The judge sentenced him in the morning, and in the afternoon he was inside the walls of the Columbus penitentiary.

GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN is the associate editor of a paper published at an obscure town in the province of New Brunswick. It is sincerely to be hoped that George has decided to become a "Blue Nose" for good. Nothing would be more grateful news to the mass of Americans.

THERE is a studied purpose upon the part of Democrats and Mugwumps to misrepresent the Republican position on the tariff question. The Cleveland papers assert that the Republicans oppose all tariff reduction or reform. This is exactly contrary to the truth. The Republicans favor remedying the inequalities of the tariff, and reducing it where it is too high, but they do not want this done by the free traders.

IN the senate yesterday the committee on elections decided unanimously that Faulkner, of West Virginia, was elected to the seat contested by Lucas. The latter, who was appointed by the governor to fill the vacancy, contended that the election of Faulkner was in violation of the state constitution, which provides that the legislature, when in special session, cannot do any business except that embraced in the call of the governor. Faulkner was chosen at a called session, and the election of a United States Senator was not one of the purposes for which the session was convened.

WE are often regaled with claims of the great superiority of Canada over the United States in business matters—how that less looseness and more strict accountability prevails in financial affairs. But once in a while something develops that shows up Canadian business methods in a rather queer light. The Central Bank, of Toronto, recently went into liquidation, and the officer appointed by law to take charge of its affairs reports nominal assets to the amount of over two and a half million dollars—most of which is unsecured and uncollectable. The directors and officers of the bank, with their friends, borrowed the bank's funds very freely, and usually without security. Evidently they understand wrecking methods as well as Mr. Harper, of the collapsed Cincinnati institution.

Talk About the Bottom Prices.

Dr. A. J. Stoner has knocked the *sides, bottom and top* out of all kinds of perfumes, and will sell lower than has ever been offered in any market, just now opening a FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR lot of elegant perfumes bought at half-price. He intends to give his customers the benefit of this immense reduction. Call and see if we are not in earnest.
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FROM WASHINGTON.

The Postmasters' Convention--A Strong Denial--Possible Tariff Legislation.

The Select Committee on Postal Telegraphy--Representative Crane's Proposed Bill--Behind Time.

Randall as an Alternative Candidate for President--Will Escort His Family South.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The postmasters' convention was called to order at nine o'clock this morning. The report of the committee on bills was read, and then the convention adjourned until 4 p. m. The members in a body visited the Post-office Department and called on Postmaster-General Vilas and Assistant Postmaster-General Stevenson. There was no speech-making, but many of the callers had a word of regret at Mr. Vilas' contemplated retirement from the department. They proceeded to the Executive Mansion, and at 1 p. m. were received by the President.

The evening session was devoted exclusively to a discussion of the report of the committee on bills. Finally, the committee was directed to formulate and report a measure embodying the following provisions: Giving to third-class postmasters the whole of the revenue derived from box rents; providing that the Government pay their rent, light and fuel expenses, and furnish competent clerical force. For fourth-class postmasters the measure will ask part payment of rent, light and fuel expenses by the Government; clerk hire in what are known as separating offices; that the compensation of fourth-class postmasters be not less than $25 per year; that the compensation be 100 per cent. of the first $100 of stamps canceled, 60 per cent. on the next $100 worth canceled and 40 per cent. on the balance; and that when the gross receipts of an office amount to $1,900 for any one year, exclusive of the money order business, it shall be declared a third-class office. The convention then adjourned *until ten o'clock this morning.*

A Strong Denial.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—D. W. Bartlett, secretary of the Chinese Legation, publishes the following card in an evening paper here, respecting the published report that he had opposed the Mitkiewicz Chinese concessions. He says:

"In an interview with Count Mitkiewicz published recently in a New York journal, I am charged with acting in the interest of Messrs. Russell & Co., bankers, in China; of receiving dispatches from an agent of theirs inimical to the Wharton-Baker syndicate; of forwarding the same for publication to a New York journal, and of hostility to the Mitkiewicz-Baker syndicate, and the concessions they seek. Permit me to say in reply, that I have no acquaintance whatever with any member of the house of Russel & Co.; have never received a line by mail or by telegraph from them or an agent of theirs respecting the concession, and have not communicated any thing to any New York or other journal; and, finally, that I have not the slightest objection to the proposed grant to Mr. Barker and his associates. In short, the statements of Count Mitkiewicz regarding myself are destitute of truth.

[Signed.] D. W. BARTLETT.

Possible Tariff Legislation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The *Star* last evening speaking of the make-up of the ways and means committee of the House and possible tariff legislation, says: "Mr. Carlisle has asked Mr. Randall to name one of his tariff adherents whom he would like to have placed on the ways and means committee. Mr. Randall has selected Mr. Gay, of Louisiana, it is understood. Mr. Randall notified Mr. Carlisle that he would resist to the utmost an attempt to meddle with the "industrial school" schedule. It is understood now that there will be very little, if any, attempt to prevent the consideration of any tariff bill reported by the ways and means committee. It will be the policy of the Republicans to vote for consideration. The fight will come after that as to the details.

The Select Committee on Postal Telegraphy.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Senator Sawyer, chairman of the committee on post-offices, yesterday informed Senator Butler that he would not call up his motion to reconsider the vote adopting the resolution to raise a select committee on postal telegraphy. Senator Butler says that he does not intend to yield an inch, but will insist upon the select committee to take full jurisdiction of the subject of postal telegraphy and report on as early a day as is practicable. Senator Edmunds, who has introduced a bill for the establishment of a postal telegraph system, has informed Senator Butler that he will sustain him in his efforts to create a select committee for this purpose, and it is supposed that all the Democratic Senators will also support Senator Butler.

Representative Crane's Proposed Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Representative Crane, of Texas, will at the first opportunity introduce a bill to make the term of Congress begin on the first of January and terminate on the thirty-first of December two years afterward, to have Congress meet two months after the election of Representatives, instead of waiting thirteen months, as at present. Mr. Crane thinks that a Representative should go to work fresh from his contact with the people. As it is, before a Congressman has served his first session his successor has been nominated, which does not conduce to sustain the old member's interest in his work, whether he has been nominated to succeed himself or not.

Only Two Minutes Behind Time.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Owing to a delay of two minutes only on the part of Hon. Philetus Sawyer, chairman of the Senate committee on post-offices and post roads, the nomination of the new Postmaster-General will lie over until the next executive session of the Senate. Senator Sawyer was in his committee room when the bell rang for the doors to close for the secret session yesterday afternoon, and before he could gain the Senate chamber, the bell announced by the familiar four taps that the secret session was at an end and the Senate had adjourned.

Randall as an Alternative Candidate for the Presidency.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—It is reported here that at a private conference between Mr. Randall and three of his close and intimate friends and advisers, it was determined that Mr. Randall should bend every energy to defeat tariff legislation on the line of President Cleveland's recommendation. This it was proposed to do with a small Democratic and a large Republican support in the House. It is said that, after fighting and defeating tariff reduction, Mr. Randall will be presented as an alternative candidate for the presidency to the Democratic National convention.

Will Escort His Family South.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Senator Edmunds will leave here early next week to escort his family to Aiken, S. C., where the family will spend the winter. The Senator will be absent only a few days.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—When the Senate met to-day the report of the committee on privileges and elections in the Faulkner-Lucas case was submitted by Mr. Hoar and adopted.

Mr. Faulkner was then sworn in.

On motion of Mr. Hoar, Mr. Faulkner was assigned to membership on the committees on claims, District of Columbia, mines and mining and pensions.

Mr. Reagan introduced a bill to regulate immigration.

Mr. George introduced a bill to define the powers and duties of the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. George introduced a bill to protect purchasers in good faith of patented articles. A dispute arose over the reference of the bill to committee. Mr. George wanted the bill to go to the committee on judiciary, and Mr. Platt to the committee on patents.

After further discussion it was referred to the patent committee by a vote of 40 to 25.

After further routine business the bill to regulate immigration was taken up, and Mr. Morrill took the floor. He said that immigrants should be examined by United States Consuls at the port of departure, instead of by commissioners at ports of arrival. That all immigrants should be of good moral character and able to support themselves. Incidentally he mentioned that recently the mayor of the Athens of America had presided at a banquet, given in honor of the champion slugger of the prize ring, and if it was not the will of the mayor, it was his political necessity. He hoped that the committee would report some measure to checkmate the gross imposition to which this country had so long been subjected by foreign counties.

On motion of Mr. Edmunds, the bill was referred to the committee on foreign relations, and, at 2:40 p. m., the Senate, on motion of Mr. Edmunds, went into secret session referred to committees the nominations of postmasters received to-day, and five minutes later adjourned until to-morrow.

The Trial of Mrs. Sarah J. Robinson.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The same crowded court-room and eager throng of spectators as on previous days met the gaze of Mrs. Sarah J. Robinson yesterday morning as she was placed in the dock on her trial for murder. Dr. Emory L. White, Willie's physician, resumed his testimony by telling of his visit to Willie with Dr. Durell on the evening of the 10th. Witness said to Willie: You are a very sick boy and must die. You have been poisoned." Willie said: "I know it."

Medical Examiner Durell testified to his visit to Willie with Dr. White, and corroborated Dr. White's testimony.

Charles H. Jose, living in the house with the Robinson's, said he was present at the interview just testified to by Dr. Durell, and Willie said: "I know I can not live." Witness said Willie afterward replied that he knew he had been poisoned.

Dr. White was recalled and said that at the last interview Willie said, in response to the question as to who gave him the food: "No one but my mother and Mr. Smith." Dr. White also expressed the opinion that he had received a dose of arsenic before the witness saw him on Thursday; he must have received another dose between Friday morning, when he found him better, and the Saturday night, when he was worse; repeated doses must have been given him.

Edward Ferguson, druggist, testified to putting up the prescriptions of Dr. White in this case. Other evidence as to the prescriptions was offered to prove their authenticity and preparation. No arsenic, he said, was put into Dr. White's preparations.

At the afternoon session Dr. Durrell read the result of an autopsy which was made nine hours after the death of Willie Robinson. They were to the effect that death was caused by arsenical poisoning.

D. Hollerstead testified that he was one of the official witnesses at the autopsy and was of the opinion that death resulted from arsenical poisoning.

Prof. Wood testified to analyzing portions of deceased and finding white arsenic. He had no doubt that death was caused by arsenic.

Dr. Barrington analyzed a portion of the internal organs and found arsenic.

F. W. Lewis, book-keeper for J. M. Roberts & Co., testified that Mrs. Robinson tried to negotiate a loan of $500 on her furniture; she was finally allowed $130.

This closed the case for the prosecution. The court then adjourned till to-day.

Sergeant Cavanaugh's Testimony.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—In the trial of Mrs. Robinson yesterday afternoon, Sergeant Cavanaugh, of the Somerville police, said that while he was in the Robinson house watching Willie, Mrs. Robinson, learning that he was an officer, secretly threw away an empty bottle. Witness recovered it. He heard Willie say he knew he would not get well, "as the old woman dosed him."

Cincinnati's Centennial.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 15.—This was a red letter day of the preparatory work for the great centennial exposition, which begins July 4, 1888. Greenwood Hall was beautifully decorated in honor of the crowd of distinguished merchants, legislators and Governors—visitors here as honorary commissioners of the exposition. Among those present were the Governors of Kentucky and West Virginia, and representatives of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Iowa.

At 10 a. m. Mayor Smith made an address of welcome. He spoke of the achievements of the Queen City, its resources and influence, and proudly pointed out the fact that its one hundredth birthday would soon be celebrated. The close relationship between the city and the States represented was mentioned, and he eloquently expressed the hope that the succeeding century would be marked by a combination of good feeling and closely united interests.

After the speeches were over the gentlemen adjourned to Washington Park, where the new buildings are in course of construction. A banquet was given the commissioners at the Grand Hotel last night, in which two hundred guests took part.

A Threatening Situation.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 15.—The condition of affairs at the crossing of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh and Erie railroads at Silver Lake Junction, where the Erie claims to have bought the land on which the Rochester's abutment stands, is threatening. About two hundred men are at the point. The sheriff of Wyoming County and several deputies are also on the ground. Trouble is feared. Frank Wright, of the Rochester road's force, was struck by a train while walking on the track yesterday morning, and received injuries which may result fatally.

Letter from the Decatur Party.

The Decatur people seem to be enjoying themselves and seeing all there is to be seen on their trip to California. Harry Starr writes to his brother, Wm. H. Starr, as follows:

COLTON, CAL., Dec. 7.

DEAR BROTHER.—Mother and I have stopped off here with Mr. Miller and company, but will probably go to Los Angeles next week. I tell you the climate is mighty fine; just like summer. You can go in your shirt sleeves all day and feel just boss. This is a very nice little town of 1200 people and is so situated that we can get to quite a number of towns by rail near by. We were at San Bernardino to-day. It is a pretty little town of 7,000 or 8,000 population. I tell you that she is on the boom and property is valuable. San Bernardino is only three miles north of Colton, and is connected by rail and motor lines. We leave to-morrow at 8 a.m. to take a drive to the famous Red Lands some seven miles away. This is said to be the best part of the state for persons who are troubled with throat or lung trouble. Riverside is some seven miles south of here and is said to be the finest orange country in California. You can drive for miles and miles and see nothing but orange and fruit groves. I was through an orange orchard of 40 acres to-day, and it was the finest sight you ever beheld. The oranges were very near ripe, and I will bet every tree had from two to four bushels. Property in the business part of San Bernardino is worth from $600 to $1000 per front foot of lots 150 feet deep, and residence lots in proportion. We are in very good location and have very fair hotel accommodations for $7.50 per week apiece. But you can pay more if you wish. We are very well satisfied with our place. Orange groves are worth from $1,000 to $4,000 per acre, and farming land from $150 to $300 per acre. Mother stood the trip very well and is looking mighty good and likes the climate. The climate, I reckon to my notion, is the best part of California. Will tell you more next time. HARRY.

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Estate of William H. Churchman, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the estate of William H. Churchman, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1887.

M. EINSTEIN,
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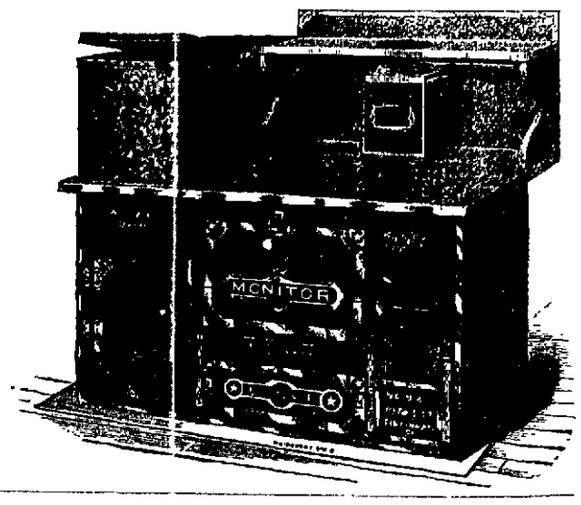

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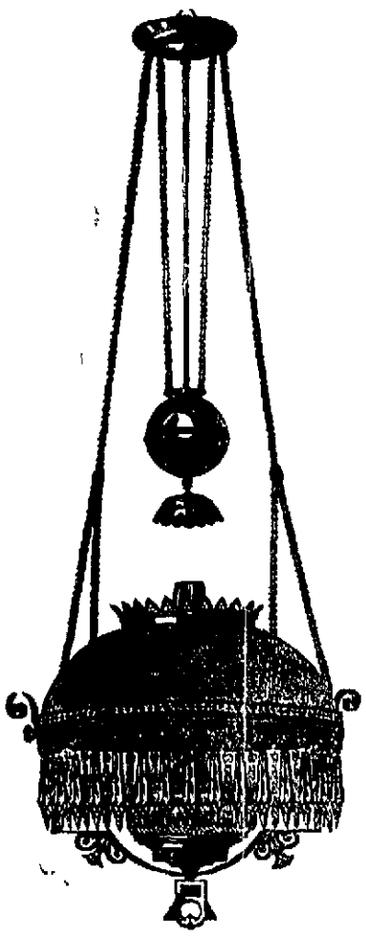

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POWDERLY'S ILLNESS.

The Gradual Disintegration of the Knights of Labor Confidently Predicted.

Plain Talk About the Order by the President of the International Cigar-Makers' Union

BUFFALO N Y., Dec. 15 —The illness of General Master Workman Powderly causes much anxiety in Knights of Labor circles in this city Prominent Knights profess to believe that his enemies will seize upon the opportunity to make further inroads upon his position and undermine him There is a feeling of uneasiness among union men that the internal troubles in the ranks of the order may end in its disruption, and the trades unions are not in the least backward in expressing the opinion that the Knights have reached the pinnacle of greatness, and that the organization is rapidly retrograding.

Commenting upon the situation Adolph Strasser, president of the International Cigar-makers, Union, said yesterday "I am not surprised at the trouble in Philadelphia assembly, for it only verified my prediction, made over a year ago, when I said that instead of 700,000 paper members in the Knights of Labor, there would not be over 150,000 at the end of two years. As a matter of fact, the real strength of the organization was in the New England States, and it had some 120,000 members there two years ago Now I doubt whether it has over 20,000 The progress was too rapid The order swept over the country like a great wave It is bound to recede just as rapidly as it advanced The principal reason," he went on, "for this reaction is that men joined the order for selfish motives, hoping to better their condition That is the case, of course, in every organization, but in the Knights of Labor the intention of the members is not so much to better the condition of the workingmen but for the increase of wages. It has not so much for its object, the raising of the standard of labor as increasing its pay. The result was a number of strikes, and as men can not live during a strike without money, and as money failed to come, the strikers were beaten. But the greatest mistake was at the Cleveland convention, when they rejected the overtures of the trades unions We offered a treaty in which we were to work in unison, but to have control of our individual matters This they would not allow, and the employers made up their minds to fight the weaker organization, the Knights of Labor. If the capitalists succeed in defeating them, then the unions will have to fight the next battle, and I can give you an instance how the rejection of that treaty weakened the Knights of Labor The cigar makers in this State organized two districts of the Knights of Labor and obtained some five hundred members Just as soon as our overtures were rejected they immediately reorganized them into trades unions. This is only one instance It is folly to assert, however, that there will be a breakup within two weeks, a month or a year I do not look for it so soon as that. But there will be something else to succeed them, for labor will keep on organizing Nor do I look for Powderly's downfall right away He is a brilliant and a magnetic man, too He is a good actor and can cry on the least provocation, and genuine tears at that. He always makes friends, and men who are against him turn to his side when they hear him speak, for he appeals to the heart and the head The palatial quarters in Philadelphia are not the cause of the downfall of the order by any means It is the fact that those joining the order did so to get money, not to pay it There is one assertion," continued Mr Strasser, "that is frequently made which is not true The Knights of Labor have not ceased their war upon the trades unions It has been done secretly, not openly is all their is to it They have no friendship for us, and though they smile in our faces they stab us in the back No, I do not look for any great upheaval at present It will be two more years before the organization loses its entire prestige"

The Fight to Dethrone a Republican Leader

NEW YORK Dec 15 —Michael J Dady, the Republican leader of the Fourth ward in Brooklyn, this morning launched a sort of dynamite bomb in the camp of his many opponents. As a result there was a large assemblage of politicians in Justice Walsh's court The Republican general committee met Tuesday night, and the recent fight in the Fourth ward primary, in which Mr Dady was interested, came up for discussion It seems that the late primary, at which Mr Dady did not win, there were some things done that he objected to. He carried his grievances to Tuesday night's meeting John A. Greene, as chairman of the general committee, was unable to find a committee that was willing to investigate the trouble Mr. Dady therefore proceeded to Judge Walsh's court and secured warrants for Casewell Leclair and G P. Cochran, who were inspectors of the last primary election in the Fourth Ward, and whom Mr Dady charges with having used illegal means to defeat his ticket. Mr Dady did not appear in person but confronted the prisoners with a bunch of affidavits. Wiley B Gairabrant, of No. 255 Jay street, who was also a primary inspector, swore that his colleagues had taken undue advantage of their position David B. McKinnon, of No 66 Willoughby street, also testified that Dady's ticket had been unfairly dealt with by ex-Alderman Kirbet of the Fourth Ward Mr Dady himself sent his affidavit, in which he charged all sorts of wicked things, and as a result of all these sworn assertions Justice Walsh held the accused to answer in $1,000 bail. This is the result of a long fight to dethrone Michael Dady from his position as a Republican leader, which Mr. Dady denounces as base ingratitude

No Time to Spare for Assassination.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 —The dispatch from London this morning repeating a statement by the *Times* that Dr. Hamilton Williams, of New York, has succeeded O'Donovan Rossa in the leadership of the extreme Nationalists here, is denied by the former. He says the statement is absurd, and adds: "I am a physician with a large practice, and have no time to spare for assassination." Dr. Williams is a member of the Clan-Na-Gael and a strong sympathizer with the Irish cause.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

BOSTON, Dec 15 —The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Boston & Albany railroad was held yesterday. The annual report was read and the old board of directors re-elected, and the meeting adjourned.

A Fiery Smashup.

The fire Sunday morning was at Aungst & Dowling's Bakery, 533 North Morgan street. It originated between the ceiling and tin roof, but it was soon extinguished without much loss. The chemical broke down when but ten or fifteen yards from the fire. But that's not all—Aungst & Dowling have the finest line of Bread, Pies and Cakes, everything you can ask for in a bakery. As we employ all first-class bakers, and use all first-class material for our goods, we are prepared to serve the public with the very best. Wedding and Christmas cakes a specialty. Goods delivered to all parts of the city. Wagons out all day. Give us a call
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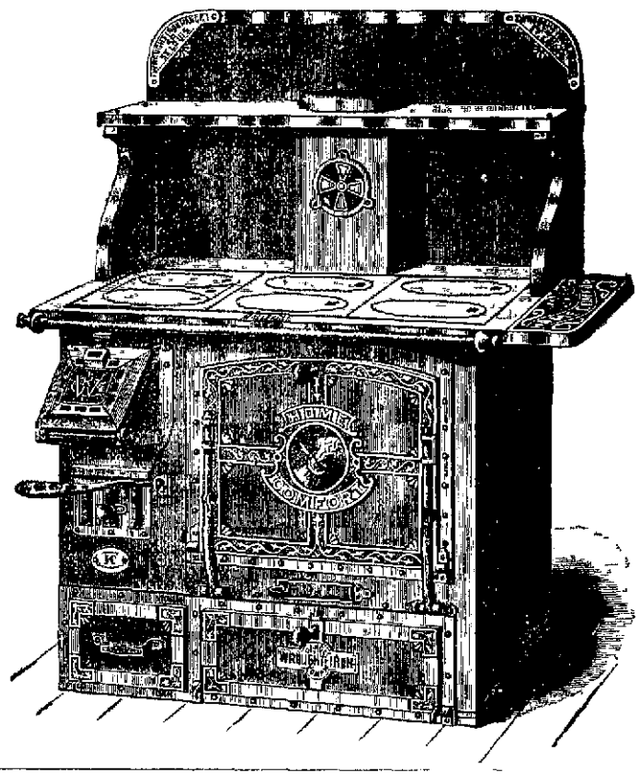

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Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY }

In the Circuit Court of said County—To the January Term, A D 1888

John K Warren as Administrator, with the will annexed of the estate of Henry B Durfee, deceased, petitioner, vs Joseph Mills, Lucretia Durfee Harry L Durfee, Nellie Durfee, Frank Durfee, Maud Durfee, and Fred J Durfee defendants—Petition for leave to make deed

Public notice is hereby given to the above named Harry L Durfee and Frank Durfee that the above named petitioner John K Warren, as Administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of Henry B Durfee, deceased, hath heretofore filed his certain petition in the above entitled cause under and by virtue of the statute in said case made and provided, in this Court on the Chancery side thereof, against you and the other defendants therein and above named, for leave to convey to Joseph Mills, the assignee of John Zeller lot three (3) in block four (4) of Durfee & King's Addition to the City of Decatur that a summons has been issued thereon against you returnable into this court on the first day of the next term thereof to be held at the Court House in the city of Decatur Illinois, and commencing on the second Monday of January, A D 1888 when and where said cause is now pending

F. McCLELLAN,
Clerk of Said Court

CREA & EWING Solicitors nov29-d4w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY }

In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery To June Term A D 1887.

Joseph Mills, Surviving Partner, &c , vs James Jackson, et al -Mechanic's Lien No 12,703

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree entered at the June Term, A D 1887, by the said Court in the above entitled cause, I, John A Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon County, Illinois, will at the hour of two o clock in the afternoon on

Saturday, the 31st day of December, A D. 1887,

at the west outside door of the Court House in Decatur, in said Macon county sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois to wit Lot eleven (11) in block three (3) of B H Cassell's 6th Addition to the City of Decatur, Ill

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Dated at Decatur Illinois this 10th day of December, A. D 1887

JOHN A BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon County Illinois
CREA & EWING, Complainant's Solicitors
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SOUTHERN MISSIONARIES.

How Money Was Sent Them During the War.

[Special Correspondence]

NEW YORK, Dec 12—Numerous as have been the reminiscences of the war that have been printed in newspapers and magazines, no reference has been made to the manner in which the missionaries of the south in foreign lands were cared for during the great struggle The Methodists, Baptists and Presbyterians had their missionaries in India, China, Japan, Siam and Syria and when the shadow of war deepened into actuality, and it was seen that the blockading of southern ports shutting off the south from communication with the rest of the world, would be accomplished, it was felt that the missions would have to be withdrawn, or arrangements made that would provide for steadily and surely reaching these faithful workers with funds

The subject as promptly engaged the attention of northern clergymen as it did the clergymen of the south, and the matter was quietly placed in the hands of Rev G W. Samson, D D , as the man best fitted by character, ability and circumstances for the work. Dr Samson was the most prominent clergyman of his denomination at Washington, and had been brought into the most intimate relations with prominent southern statesmen, all of whom it was seen, would bear still more prominent parts in the fight Dr Samson was then president of Columbia university and also pastor of the East Street Baptist church in Washington Jefferson Davis was not a member of his church, but he frequently attended service Howell Cobb, then secretary of the treasury under President Buchanan, attended regularly Such men as Lewis Cass, William L Marcy, Secretary Guthrie and Robert E Lee were frequent attendants Indeed, all the distinguished men of that time were regular or occasional attendants upon Dr Samson's administrations This gave him a close acquaintance with them

He accepted the task with the greatest willingness. He conferred first with President Lincoln and found him desirous of having the fullest possible arrangements made whereby the utmost certainty could be established that no break should occur in the sending of supplies of money through the lines to these missionaries

Armed with this assurance from President Lincoln, Rev Dr Samson immediately proceeded to Richmond to secure the consent and approval of the president of the Confederacy, Jefferson Davis On his way to the Confederate capital which Davis had but just before removed from Montgomery to the capital of Virginia Dr S stopped over at Petersburg He there conferred with a convention of Baptist ministers then in session there, securing their warm approval of the project He then made haste to reach Richmond

There was an air of confusion about the seat of the Confederate government, as matters had not yet settled down to anything like order, it being in May, 1861 When Dr Samson entered the apartment where President Davis was seated, the latter sprang at once to his feet and warmly greeted him Not knowing the object of the doctor's presence there, his first impression was that Dr Samson had cast his lot with the south which thought was evidently confusing to him, for the doctor's views as to secession were strongly held and had been as strongly presented by him, and he was known to have been decidedly opposed to it

That Mr Davis mind was confused by this, and that he was surprised, was evident from his first exclamation which was

'What, are you with us, too, Dr Samson?'

"Oh, no," said Dr S , "I am still for the old flag"

"What, then brings you here?" said Mr Davis

"I have come to make arrangements so that, no matter what happens, the missionaries of the south his in the field shall not suffer for lack of funds We want to provide, Mr President, that a way shall be opened through the lines for the transmission of funds for their support President Lincoln has expressed his willingness to go to the utmost possible length in the matter, and it only needs assurance from you to the same effect."

"God bless you, Dr Samson It shall be as you wish," said President Davis, with emotion

Arrangements were at once perfected whereby means of communication were to be provided throughout the struggle, however long or bitter it might be The general on the Union side, who had held the closest personal relations with Gen Lee was Maj Gen Patrick, and the entire charge of the matter was committed to his keeping He was peculiarly fitted for it, being a Christian gentleman as well as a gallant soldier It is but a fitting tribute to his faithfulness and ability to state that no hitch ever occurred in the arrangements from first to last The southern religious bodies were communicated with and notified that they could remit to their missionaries, in whatever field stationed, through Maj Gen. Patrick. They were also instructed to notify the missionaries to send their letters to Dr Samson at Washington, who would forward them through the lines to the south

Some few of the southern churches sent their money through the blockading fleet, running the risk of capture. But the great bulk of the work was carried through the channel thus opened by the personal influence of Dr Samson exerted upon Presidents Lincoln and Davis. The former was so warmly enlisted that later on in the war, when it was seen that money was becoming scarce in the south and it was feared the churches might not be able to keep up the stream of supply, President Lincoln made up his mind to allow cotton to be sent through the lines to be sold to defray the missionaries' expenses But the war ended shortly after and this was not necessary

During the whole war the letters came and went, nobody violating their sanctity Some of the missionaries came home and when they landed in New York they immediately made their way to Washington, where they found Rev Dr Samson He at once took them to Maj Gen Patrick and they were passed through the lines without the slightest hitch.

Rev. Dr Samson was last summer made president of Rutgers Female college in New York city He is an erudite scholar, being specially conversant with Hebrew and Arabic, and has for some time given private lessons to several classes of Christian workers engaged in city missionary work In the presidency of Rutgers he succeeds Rev Dr Burchard, who acquired notoriety in the last presidential campaign G W F

Bookish People

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Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY }

In Circuit Court of Macon County In Chancery To September Term A D 1887

James M Rucker et al ex parte Petition No 12,954

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term A D 1887 by the said Court in the above entitled cause, I, John A Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon County Illinois will at the hour of two o clock in the afternoon on

Monday the 26th day of December, A D 1887,

at the west outside door of the Court House in the city of Decatur in said Macon county, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon state of Illinois to wit The southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 9 appraised at $1500 00 the west ten and one half (10½) acres of the north twenty (20) acres of the east half of the southwest quarter of section nine (9) appraised at $100 00 the north east quarter of the northeast quarter of section fifteen (15 and the north half of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of said section fifteen (15) appraised at $ 00 00 all in township 16 range 3 east of the third principal meridian

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Dated at Decatur Illinois, this 28th day of November, A D 1887

JOHN A BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon Co Ill
OUTTEN & VAIL Solicitors for Complainants
nov29 d4w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss
MACON COUNTY, }

In Circuit Court of Macon County In Chancery To September Term A D 1887 No 12,803

Lucien L Burrows et al vs George F Frost et al Foreclosure

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term A D 1887 in the said Court, in the above entitled cause I John A Brown Master in Chancery of said Macon county, Illinois, will at the hour of two o clock in the afternoon on

Monday, the 26th Day of December, A D 1887,

at the west outside door of the Court House in Decatur, in said Macon county sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder the following described real estate lying and being in the county of Macon state of Illinois to wit Lot one (1) and the north half of lot four (4), all in block five (5) in Reed & Co's Addition to the City of Decatur

TERMS OF SALE Cash subject to redemption

Dated at Decatur Illinois, this 26th day of November A D 1887

JOHN A BROWN
Master in Chancery of Macon county, Ill
OUTTEN & VAIL Complainants Solicitors
nov26 d30d

Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss
MACON COUNTY }

In Circuit Court of Macon County In Chancery To September Term A D 1887

Edwin G Allen vs Elizabeth Mueller et al—Foreclosure. No 12,901

Public notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term A D 1887, by the said court, in the above entitled cause I John A Brown Master in Chancery for said Macon county, Illinois, will, at the hour of two o clock in the afternoon, on

Friday, the 6th day of January, A D 1888,

at the west door of the Court House in the city of Decatur, in said Macon county, sell, at public vendue, to the highest and best bidder the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon, state of Illinois, to-wit Lot one (1) of the east half of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section twenty three (23), in township sixteen (16), North Range two (2) east of the 3d P M , containing two and one-half acres more or less

TERMS OF SALE—Cash subject to redemption

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 8th day of December, A D 1887

JOHN A BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon county, Ill
MILLS BROS , Complainant's Solicitors
Dec8-d3w

Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY, }

In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery To September Term A. D 1887

Thomas L Evans County Superintendent, &c , vs Charles C Ford et al—Foreclosure No 12,838

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term, A D 1887, by the said Court, in the above entitled cause I, John A Brown, Master in Chancery of said Macon County, Illinois, will at the hour of two o clock in the afternoon on

Saturday, the 24th Day of December, A. D. 1887,

at the west outside door of the Court House in Decatur, in said Macon County sell, at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate, lying and being in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, to-wit Lot three (3) in Block four (4) in the Village of Niantic

TERMS OF SALE —Cash, subject to redemption

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 19th day of November, A. D 1887

JOHN A BROWN,
Master in Chancery of Macon County, Illinois
OUTTEN & VAIL, Complainant's Solicitors
Nov19-d30d

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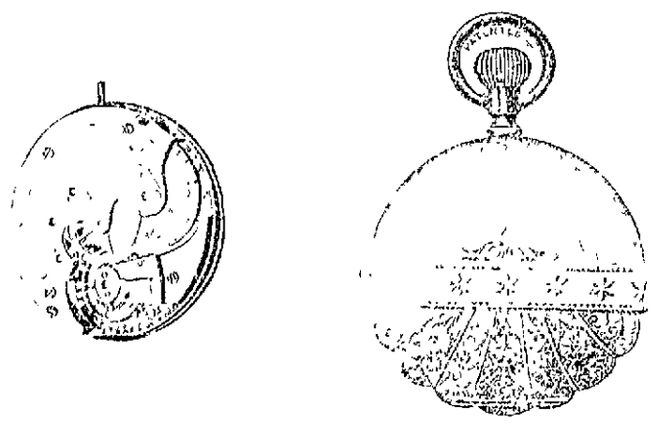

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Nov 25-1m

COST OF A COW.

An Estimate Which is Entitled to Careful Consideration.

But very few statistics on the cost of any thing lie along the road of dairy thought. We have been a nation of guessers on pretty much every thing connected with farm work. What does it cost to raise a cow? is a question that we have heard hundreds of men guess at but very few had facts and facts and figures to back their judgment. Hon. Josiah Shull, secretary of the New York State Dairymen's Association, has been figuring on the problem and the following is the result at his hands

FIRST YEAR—First five days sucking the cow, no cost. Next twenty days, skim-milk after setting 12 hours, 8 quarts per day, 160 quarts @ 1 cent, $1.60. Next twenty days—Skim after 24 hours, 160 quarts @ ½ cent per quart, 80 cents. Then full skim for balance of season, $2.25. Pasturage for the season, $2.00; 182 pounds of meal and shorts, till one year old, equal to ½ pound a day, $1.82; 800 pounds of hay, $4 00. These estimates result in a total of $12.47.

SECOND YEAR—Six months pasturage, $6 00. Six months to hay, 1,600 pounds, $8.00. 182 pounds of meal, $1.82. Making a total cost at two years old of $28.29.

A calf well reared should come in milk at two years old, and her product should pay her way after that with a profit. From two to five years old, the product should be as follows: Of milk, from 2 to 3 years old, 3,200 pounds; from 3 to 4 years old, 4,500 pounds; from 4 to 5 years old, 5,500 pounds; making a total of 13,200. At one cent a pound, or about two cents a quart, we get the value of the product, $132.00

Cost of keeping three to five years old: Three years to pasturage, $25.50; 3 years to hay, 9,180 pounds, $45.90; 1,900 pounds meal, $10; to which add cost of heifer at 2 years old, $28.29, and we have a total cost, at 5 years old, of $109.69. We have got the value of the product, $132.00, from which we take $109.69, the cost of keeping, leaving a balance to the credit of the cow, at 5 years old, of $22 31.

This is the estimate of the average cow. A well selected, improved animal will produce a much larger yield, if not a double amount, which will proportionately increase the income in comparison with the cost.—*Hoard's Dairyman.*

—A new feature at evening parties is the "Card dance." This must be some sort of a shuffle.—*Yonkers Statesman.*

THERE is no denying the fact that Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic is the most successful blood purifier ever put on the market. Its wonderful cures in all stomach, kidney and liver troubles has brought out many imitations. It restores debilitated nerve tissues, restoring the force lost by sickness, mental work or the excessive use of liquor, opium and tobacco. Dr. A. J. Stoner will supply the genuine at 50 cents a bottle. 3b

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n15-d1m

THE Rev. Hugh O. Pentecost of Newark, N. J., having found that he cannot be a good christian and at the same time a sympathizer with anarchism, is preparing to renounce his christianity. Mr. Pentecost is making a very unwise change of masters.

Renews Her Youth.

Mrs. Phebe Chesley, Peterson, Clay co., Iowa, tells the following remarkable story, the truth of which is vouched for by the residents of the town: "I am 73 years old, have been troubled with kidney complaint and lameness for many years; could not dress myself without help. Now I am relieved from all pain and soreness, and am enabled to do all my own housework. I owe my thanks to Electric Bitters for having renewed my youth, and removed completely all disease and pain." Try a bottle, only 50c, at John A. Swearingen's Drug Store. 4

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THE Southern Presbyterian Church is appealing for funds to prosecute missionary work among the negroes.

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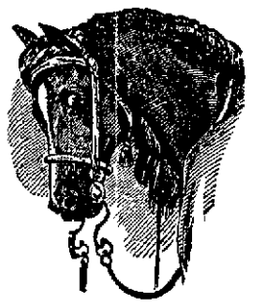

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we are showing a large line of Gold and Silver Handles in SILK UMBRELLAS, from $3 to $10, WARRANTED; Silk and Cashmere MUFFLERS, and HANDKERCHIEFS. In our Furnishing Goods Department we have an elegant line of FINE HOSIERY, UNDERWEAR, GLOVES, SCARFS, &c.; HATS, Fur and Seal Caps, Children's Plush Caps, in all colors.

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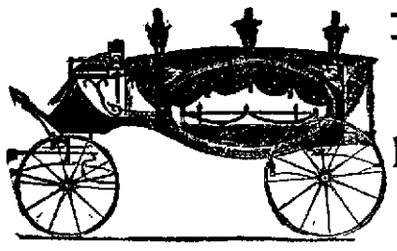

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LOCAL NEWS.

CHARLES DICKENS December 19.

SEE the tropical booth at the tabercle to-morrow night.

READ Cheap Charley's adv't. d&wtf

CHARLES DICKENS will be entertained by the Decatur Club while in our city.

THE gas company is preparing to put up the incandescent electric light poles.

TAKE dinner with the Presbyterian ladies at the tabernacle to-morrow. The bell will ring at 11:30 a. m.

FINELY upholstered and willow rocking chairs of various styles at Dustman & Meyer's furniture store.

PRESBYTERIAN BAZAR at the tabernacle to-morrow night.

THE funeral of the late Walter Hankins took place from the home of his mother, Mrs. S. M. Hankins, 722 West Eldorado street.

W. H. SHORB can be relied upon to deliver all orders for hard or soft coal promptly on time. He attends strictly to business.

J. Y. BRADEN is believed to be out of danger.

ALL of the saloons at Blue Mound have been closed by the temperance board.

SEE Lehman & Bolen at 150 Merchant street for choice California fruits and groceries.

THE outlook is good for a new Union depot in Decatur; but it is not likely that any steps will be taken by Mr. Jeffreys until in January.

PROMPT delivery of all orders for groceries and fruits left at Moore Bros. store in opera block.

BUY fancy articles at the Presbyterian Bazar at the tabernacle to-morrow afternoon and evening.

THE decline in May corn - about 3 cents —has left some of the boys in a sorrowful attitude.

BUY one of those new lanterns at Lytle & Eckels' store. Stoves to suit you.

EAT, drink and be merry, at the Tropical Booth at the Presbyterian bazar to morrow night.

THERE was a large crowd of big and little folks at the MRS. Tom Thumb matinee yesterday afternoon, but at night the attendance was rather light. The midgets delighted the children, and Magician Davis was quite clever in his tricks. Quite a number of little girls and boys kissed the little lady, now 45, who was ablaze with diamonds and appeared in three costly dresses. At the close of each performance all who desired had a chance to shake hands with the Count and Countess and Baron Magri.

J. LYTLE & Co., in opera block, have dressed turkeys and poultry to sell.

EVERYTHING in the way of Holiday Stock now in readiness at the City Book Store. Don't delay if you wish to avoid the crowd. J. H. Bevens. d14d6w1

CHEAP CHARLEY can and will save you money on anything you buy of him. d&wtf

THE ladies of the Macedonia Baptist church, on South Broadway, are preparing to give a sociable next Thursday evening Dec. 15, for the benefit of the church. 8-dtd

THE force of photographers at Piper's is larger than ever so that work can be finished much nearer to Christmas than heretofore. Come while the weather is bad so as to give a chance to finish when the sun shines. 10d1w

CHARLES DICKENS will read David Copperfield and Bob Sawyer's party at the opera house December 19. Prices—50c, 75c and $1.00. Reserved seats at Prescott's music house December 19. 12-d4

FURNITURE cheaper than ever. Bedroom Sets, Parlor Sets, and everything in the Furniture line, which I will close out and quit the furniture business. Come and see me if you need anything. I know I can sell it to you. Don't miss the place—259 East Main street; sign, big red chair. FRED BUTZIEN. dec2-d1m

TONE up the system and improve the appetite by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It will make you feel like a new person. Thousands have found health, and relief from suffering, by the use of this great blood purifier, when all other means failed.

Music! Music!

I have a fine collection of Christmas music and small musical instruments of all styles and prices, and the best pianos and organs sold in Decatur. Don't buy till you examine my stock.
n26-daw3w S. M. LUTZ.

FINE Jersey Coats at A. F. Ross', 147 N. Water St. dec1-d1m

A Bad Accident.

Mrs. R. C. Hamsher met with a serious accident at I. B. Massey's shoe store yesterday afternoon, but fortunately she escaped with only a few bruises. She was in the store with a lady friend making a purchase, when she fell headlong down the hatchway in the centre of the room into the cellar below. The opening is guarded on three sides. The lady stood talking near the open side, and turning suddenly, down she went, striking the cellar steps, bruising her arms and injuring her back. A man had come out of the cellar with a bucket of coal and had failed to close the door. Mrs. Hamsher is at her millinery store to-day, but every time she thinks of that fall she shudders. When Frank Taylor kept a hardware store in that room her sister, Mrs. W. C. Pitner, fell through the same hatchway. Her other sister, Mrs. Bixby, should take warning.

Wedding in Mt. Zion.

The marriage of Miss Nannie Smith and Mr. Oliver M. Scott, son of Mr. John Scott, was quietly celebrated at noon today at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Ben F. Smith, in Mt. Zion township. The officiating clergyman was Rev. W. H. Davis, of Decatur. Miss Sophie Halleck, was in attendance. Mr. Scott is one of the brightest young men of Mt. Zion, and is engaged in farming pursuits. His accomplished bride is a young lady who has frequently visited in Decatur and is well known in this community.

Charity Meeting.

A meeting for effecting a charity organization will be held at the Woman's Club, 2d floor of Gallagher block to-morrow at 2 p. m. Delegates are requested to be present from the board of supervisors, the various churches, the orders of Masons, Odd Fellows and Good Templars, the G. A. R. and W. R. C., the Y. M. C. A. and W. C. T. U., and all other organizations engaged in any way in charitable work. The mayor, chief of police, overseer of poor and county physician have promised to be present. The meeting will be convened promptly at 2 o'clock.

By order of the Relief Society.

THE county board will employ an expert to check up the accounts of all the county officers.

See Them.

The splendid herd of Christmas cattle to be killed by the Imboden Bros. for their market, can be seen at Culp's old wagon yard, on South Water street. They will be kept on exhibition there until wanted for the blocks, and all are invited to take a look at the herd. "Dot," the famous yearling steer, that took the premium at the Chicago Fat Stock Show, is in the herd of 10.

The Chimney Burnt Out.

This forenoon the firemen had a run over the frozen streets to the double house of Mrs. Teresa Langheld on North Morgan street, where a burning chimney caused the alarm. There was no damage done.

SUPPER at 5 o'clock will be served by the Presbyterian ladies at the tabernacle to-morrow evening.

SKIP by the Light of the Moon to the opera house to-morrow night and see the play that has made all America laugh.

THESE are busy times for C. B. Prescott, who is having a big trade in Haines Bros.' and other standard pianos, organs, and musical merchandise generally. His stock is large and varied, selected especially for the holiday season. See his display.

THE advance sale of seats for the Dickens reading Monday night next will be large. Every one should secure seats to-morrow morning at Prescott's music store. Prices, 50c, 75c and $1.00.

SKIP out and secure your tickets to see the great laughing sensation of the age at the opera house to-morrow night.

Open Evenings for the Holidays.

From the 15th until after the holidays we will keep open until 9 o'clock. We will give special bargains on all goods sold for holiday trade, and have just received a new invoice of the choicest late winter Millinery goods from New York. All trimmed goods to be sold at greatly reduced prices. MRS. K. EINSTEIN,
15d5w 110 North Water Street.

Frank Cotton.

This eminent comedian will be here for a week, commencing Dec. 26th, on which occasion will occur the grand opening of the Music Hall as a place of amusement. The Bloomington *Bulletin* says:

Last night Frank Cotton, the comedian, commenced a week's engagement at the opera house at 10, 20 and 30 cents. The gallery and dress circle were crowded and the attendance was good. "The Electric Detective," a lightning rod agent piece was given, and Cotton made the people laugh liberally. The Fuller sisters, who lead in the support, and the balance of the people are all that could be expected for the money. 15-dtd

Ottomans and Blacking Cases.

Bachman Bros. have just received a fine line of Ottomans and Blacking Cases, which they offer at 50c, 75c, $1.00 and upwards. d14d10t

Open Evenings Until After the Holidays.

In order to make it interesting for our customers and to increase trade, we will have special cheap sales every evening until further notice. Special low prices on Silk Handkerchiefs, Linen Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Ties, Silk and Wool Mittens, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. We will not quote prices, but will make a reduction of fully 25 per cent. on all goods sold for spot cash. Come and see if we don't more than fill the bill.

S. G. HATCH & BRO.,
143 East Main street, Powers' Block.
d14d4t

THE COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Settlement with Mr. Buckingham—The Park Matter.

The Court House Question Left to the New Board.

At the session of the county board yesterday afternoon Steward Magee reported 48 inmates at the poor farm; and Supt. Barber reported $125 of the farm fund in his possession. The committee reported the statement of Supt. Evans correct. It was voted to declare the powder magazines on East Wood street a public nuisance. Unless taken away the sheriff will abate the nuisance.

THE PARK.

This afternoon the proposition to donate the fair grounds to Decatur, to be used as a park for the city and county, will be discussed by the supervisors and representatives of the city.

SETTLEMENT EFFECTED.

The following statement was read in reference to the claim of the county against I. A. Buckingham who was state's attorney from 1876 to 1880. It was adopted and a final settlement with Mr. Buckingham was effected on the basis outlined below:

In the Buckingham case, taken by Buckingham to the appellate court, that court decided, first, that Mr. Buckingham was entitled to ten per cent. on all fines and forfeitures collected by him; second, that he was entitled to no conviction fees in contempt cases; third, that he was entitled to no fees on judgment obtained in the forfeiture of bonds in criminal cases. All these questions were contested in the case. The question of interest was also presented by the state's attorney, but was not considered by the court because no exception in that regard was taken to the ruling of the circuit judge, and no exception was taken because the county was satisfied with Judge Hughes' judgment as he had decided the ten per cent. commission in favor of the county, as well as the contempt and bond cases. Now the appellate court reverses Judge Hughes' decision on the commission question and affirms it in the contempt and bond cases, but makes no ruling on the interest question and remands the case, which leaves the question open to be decided by the circuit court upon a new trial. Mr. Buckingham proposes in way of settlement and as a compromise of the case, to pay half the circuit court costs and $700. The costs in the appellate court the county is liable to pay. I submit a statement of the amount due from Mr. Buckingham under the decision of the appellate court and in addition thereto charging him with interest from the time he should have settled with the school superintendent and paid the money over. His term expired December 1, 1880, on the following first of March, 1881, is the time the law required the settlement with the school superintendent

The admitted amount due	$556.00
Ten per cent. commission on same	55.60
Amount due school superintendent March 1, 1881	$527.10
Interest on that amount to date	216.40
Total	$743.50

It will thus be seen that of the $216.10 of interest Mr. Buckingham here proposes to pay all save $13.50. The interest is $31.64 per year. Under Judge Hughes' decision Mr. Buckingham was held liable for interest only after the year 1884. The proposition of Mr. Buckingham, therefore, is to pay interest for about two years longer than he was held liable under Judge Hughes' construction of the law. I submit the matter to the board for authority and instruction.

E. P. VAIL, State's Attorney.

The board ordered the payment of $3,312.50, the county's share for the construction of the new Wikoff bridge, and also the payment of $134.87 repairs on the Grubb bridge, north of the water works.

THE COURT HOUSE.

At the session of the county board this forenoon the committee on the new court house proposition, Supervisors Woodcock, Hill, Happer, Imboden, Camp and Moffett, presented the following report which was adopted:

Your committee, to whom was referred the matter of erecting a court house, would report in view of the fact that the assessed value of the taxable property in Macon county is so far below the *real* value, and the statutes limit the amount to be raised by taxation for all county purposes to 75 cents on the $100; and the further fact that some unlooked-for liabilities have arisen, your committee do not deem it advisable to commence building said court house until the matter of increasing the taxation or issuing bonds for the purpose aforesaid shall have been submitted to the legal voters of Macon county.

This leaves the court house question undecided, and if any steps are taken toward putting up the building, the new board to be elected next spring will have to bring up the matter.

The committee fixed the salary of the county physician at $500; steward at the poor farm, $1,000; janitor, $600.

A GENERAL TALK.

Supervisor Hill wanted to know if the committee was attending to its duty in checking up the accounts of all county officers as required by a resolution offered over a year ago. He stated that it was time the county board kept itself posted as to the affairs of the county servants, so there shall be no more wrangling and errors in future. Chairman Woodcock said that according to his notion there was but one body who should know the law and that was the board of supervisors. Mr. Garver thought the county attorney ought to know the law and that he should inform the members when in quest of information. Mr. Manecke suggested that the county attorney simply read the law to the members and should interpret it to suit the questions involved. Mr. Durfee took exception to the word "wrangling" used by Mr. Hill. He said the committee had honestly tried to do their duty. He asserted that there had been no wrangling on the part of the board, that all the trouble was brought about by the county officers, who failed to assist the committee in getting at the points and effecting a settlement. Chairman Woodcock again alluded to Judge Smith's decision that the "county board must know the law," and read a section of the decision from a paper in his possession. The bailiff question was also discussed.

RESOLUTION.

Supervisor Manecke offered the following which was adopted:

Resolved, Hereafter no bailiff's bills will be paid unless the bailiff presents this board a sworn bill, itemized, of every paper served, giving the date of service, name of witness or party served and character of paper, and if a suit the names of parties thereto; nor unless said bailiff is appointed by the circuit judge and the service performed during the actual sitting of the circuit court.

WILL HIRE AN EXPERT.

Supervisor Camp, of the fees and salary committee, stated that the accounts of all the officers had not been checked up, and Mr. Durfee said he didn't have time and doubted if he had the ability to do the work properly. He offered a resolution to the effect that an expert be employed to check up the accounts of all the officers. Mr. Manecke suggested that the committee go to the extreme limit in the investigation and find out whether the old officers, as well as the present ones, owe the county any money. The Durfee resolution for the employment of an expert was adopted. The committee and expert will go back in the investigation 15 to 20 years.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. George C. Kinsman, on December 14th, a daughter.

Judge Race is at Hot Springs, Ark., where he has gone to be relieved of rheumatism.

J. S. Cox, of Cox & Chamberlain, has returned from Pennsylvania, where he went to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Cox.

John M. Stout, a mute, arrived in the city last night from Jacksonville. He registered at the St. Nicholas as "the champion bicycle rider of the world."

Rev. D. G. DuBois, formerly pastor of Janes' Chapel, this city, and Miss Allie Morris, were married yesterday. The couple will reside at Monticello.

Major Geo. Spencer, of Bloomington, Major of the Fourth Regiment Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, is in the city and will attend the convention held by Coeur de Leon Lodge No. 17, at their hall this evening. The Major is here in the interest of the Uniform Rank.

Mrs. D. A. Maffit and children, Robbie, Gyp and George, and Miss Elle Usrey, departed to-day for York, Pa., Baltimore, New York City and Washington. They will read the REPUBLICAN during their absence, which will be for a period of three months.

Dr. P. G. Gillette, superintendent of Deaf and Dumb Institution at Jacksonville, came in last evening, and after transacting a little business at the Wabash offices spent the morning at the residence of Mr. O. Powers, returning this evening.

Geo. W. Downing is home from a business trip through the south. He visited Birmingham, Ala., where he found everything dead commercially, merchants having no money to meet their obligations. Failures are frequent. Every other place is a real estate office and property worth considerably less is held at $1,000 to $1500 per front foot.

Hon. Alfred Orendorff has been appointed brigadier general of the Patriarch Militant, the military record in Odd Fellowship, and placed in charge of the department of Illinois, vice E. F. Phelps, of Galesburg, promoted to major general and placed in command of the department of the lakes, vice Lieut. Gov. J. C. Smith, resigned.

Fedora To-Night.

There will be a large and fashionable audience at the opera house this evening to see Miss Fanny Davenport in her great roll of Fedora, of which the New York *Tribune* said:

Miss Davenport as Fedora acted with a grasp of purpose, a subtlety of thought, a quiet strength of repose and well sustained earnestness that awakened equal surprise and pleasure. * Miss Davenport has never until now been known to bear the burden of an identity so tragic as this, in which the agony of love, hate and self-contempt, remorse and despair surges beneath the satin surface of affability, artifice and sweet refinement. The complexity of such a character, and the strain of such situations upon a woman's power of self-control, of witchery and of reckless passion, present a professional ordeal of the most exacting and painful description. * * * She rose to the leadership and control of passion and seemed elevated before the common line of theatrical achievement.

The company arrived from Peoria at noon and put up at the St. Nicholas. They leave for Terre Haute in the morning.

Knocked Down

And almost senseless at the Low Prices that Peake & Son have placed on their Watches, Clocks and Jewelry. They will sell you anything in their line cheaper than any jewelry house in Decatur. Call and see J. L. PEAKE & SON. 14-d6

A Card.

EDS. REPUBLICAN:—Kindly allow me to express though your columns my thanks to the Commonwealth Mutual Fire Insurance Co., for their prompt and satisfactory settlement of my loss by fire, which occurred recently, and to say that a good insurance company right here at home is the best company in the world for Macon county people to insure in.

C. F. STERR, Morgan Street.

ELEGANTLY mounted Glace Photographic copies of Guido's Mater Dolorosa, Murillo's Magdalen and other celebrated paintings at the City Book Store. J. H. Bevans. d14d6w1

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Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, agent of J. M Shaw & Co., Commission Merchants:

WHEAT—75½ Dec; 75⅞ Jan; 76¾ Feb; 82⅞ May.

CORN—47⅝ Dec; 47⅞ Jan; 48⅜ Feb; 53¼ May.

OATS—30⅜ Dec; 30½ Jan; 30¾ Feb; 33⅜ May.

PORK—$14.95 Jan; $15.05 Feb; $15.42 May.

LARD—$7.57 Jan; $7.67 Feb; $7.92 May.

RIBS—$7.57 Jan; $7.67 Feb; $8.00 May.

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 25,000; prospects steady.

Cattle, 12,000; easy.

Car Lots—Wheat: Winter 1; Spring, 138; Corn, 246; Oats, 88.

Must Close Up.

It's going to be a hard winter for Decatur gamblers. Marshal Mason to-day ordered each of the six gamblers in the city to close up their "offices" and keep them shut or there would be trouble. One man went right off and locked his door.

Sales of Real Estate.

John H. Crocker to Charles E. Emery, quit claim to lot 4, block 8, Railway addition to Maroa; $50.

Jacob Wayne and others to William J. Wayne, lot 1, block 4, Reed & Co.'s addition to Decatur; $1.

Wm. J. Wayne to John B. Wayne, life interest in the undivided one-half of lot 1, block 4, Reed & Co.'s addition to Decatur; $1.

Andrew Dennis to Abner P. Cobb, 45 acres, more or less, in the North-west quarter of 16, 16, 2, Decatur township; $7,000.

Attention, Knights of Pythias.

Regular convocation of Cœur de Leon Lodge No. 17, K. of P., at their Castle Hall, this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock, for work. Geo. Spencer, Major of 4th Reg't of Custer Division, No. 22, Bloomington, Ill., will be present and make an effort to organize a Uniform Rank. A full attendance requested. Visiting brothers cordially invited.

P. TAYLOR, C. C.
S. B. MOLL, K. of R. and S.

THE average ability of a workingman to save money is not over $50 per year. If you estimate wages at $1.50 per day, and pay $6 per week for board, allowing $100 per year for clothing and necessary expenses, it leaves only about $1 a week to lay up for a rainy day. This sum laid away each year becomes capital, all capital is the accumulation of savings and represents labor. One dollar foolishly spent represents six days' hard work. The young man who throws out a quarter of a dollar for cigars, beer, etc., spends in a moment what it takes him one and a half days to earn. Make a note of this and think over it.

Attention Knights Templar.

Regular conclave of Beaumanoir Commandery No. 9, K. T., this (Thursday) evening at 7:00 o'clock. A full attendance requested. Election of officers.

FRANK M. YOUNG, E. C.
N. L. KRONE, R.

MARRIED.

Wednesday, December 14, 1887, at the New Deming Hotel, by Elder J. W. Tyler, George Hiser and Miss Mary E. Funk, both of Oakley township

Children's Cloaks,

A large assortment, in handsome styles and cheap, at LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w

SEE the "Home Comfort" Ranges at Morehouse, Wells & Co.'s d&w

DAY BOARD $3.00 per week at Combs' Court House Restaurant—the best place in the city to board. Meals at all hours. No. 139 South Water St. n25-dtf

The Play Saturday Night.

It will be Robert Buchanan's "Alone in London," a story which deals with the trials of an unsophisticated country girl, who falls a victim to the wills of a handsomy and villainous man. An exchange says: "The rising of the waters in the old sluice house being conceded by all who saw it to be the acme of mechanical effect. People rise from their seats and hold their breath fearing every instant that the heroine would be lost completely to sight, but her good genius in the shape of a good-hearted country man comes to her rescue, earning round after round for his devotion and heroism. The company is excellent in every respect, including as it does seven who have been leading people or heading their own organization. Cora Tanner, who heads the company, is a capable artist, is every way full of tenderness, yet strong in emotion, comedy and pathos are alike easy to her, touching on the different emotions and feelings of the audience who followed her at will. The company can be summed up as being the best melodramatic organization yet seen in Columbus."

FRUITS, nuts, lemonade and flowers in abundance at the tropical booth to-morrow night.

DIED.

On December 8, 1887, James M. Shockey, aged 62 years, 3 months and 11 days.

James M. Shockey was born August 29, 1825, in Fleming county, Kentucky. He has been a member of the Christian church for 45 years. He served as deacon for four years in Kentucky, and eighteen years in the church to which he belonged at the time of his death.

FOR the Christmas and New Year holidays the I., C. R. R. will sell excursion tickets to all stations north of Cairo, at one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale Dec. 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, and on Jan. 1st and 2d. Good to return up to January 3d.

The Christmas Bazar.

Special attention is called to the fair, festival and Christmas Bazar, to be given Friday, December 16, at the tabernacle by the Ladies' New Church Aid Society of the Presbyterian church. The fancy articles, all especially designed for Christmas, will be on sale on Friday afternoon and evening. A public dinner will be served beginning at 11:30 a. m. and supper at 5 o'clock. Sociable and festival at night. 12-d5

Friends Creek Nursery.

S. Boneham, proprietor, will have Christmas trees and stock the coming spring at the old stand, east side New Square, adjoining stone yard. Leave orders with John Pasold. dec14-d&2w

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QUAIL, Pheasant and Grouse at Krebs' d3-dtf

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Bananas, Oranges, Lemons, California Peaches, Raisins, Apricots, Apples, Dates, Blackberries, Prunes, Figs, Pears, Cherries, Raspberries, Gooseberries, Pine Apples, Currants.

——FOR SOUPS——

Oysters, Macaroni, Beef, Rice, Vegetables, Corn Beef, Chickens, Etc.

——VEGETABLES——

Corn, Corn, Tomatoes, Succotash, Peas, Beans, Pumpkins, Sweet Potatoes, Irish Potatoes, Cabbage, Turnips, Rutabagas, Spanish Onions

——FISH——

Salmon, Mackerel, Sardines, A'l'Huile d'Olive, Sardines au Moutarde, Halibut, Cod Fish.

——MEATS.——

Turkeys, with Cape Cod Cranberries, Chickens, Corned Beef, Canned Beef, Pickled Pigs Feet, Breakfast Bacon, Sugar Cured Hams, Meats of all kinds

Rolled Avena, Oat Meal, Cracked Wheat, Hominy, Rice, Cerealine

——RELISHES——

Pickled Onions, Catsup, French Mustard, Horse Radish, Mixed Pickles, Spiced Pickles, Pepper Sauce, Worcestershire Sauce, Chow Chow, Chili Sauce, Etc., Etc.

——TEAS——

English Breakfast, Oolong, Imperial, Gunpowder, Uncolored basket-fired Japan, and the Purity, our own importation.

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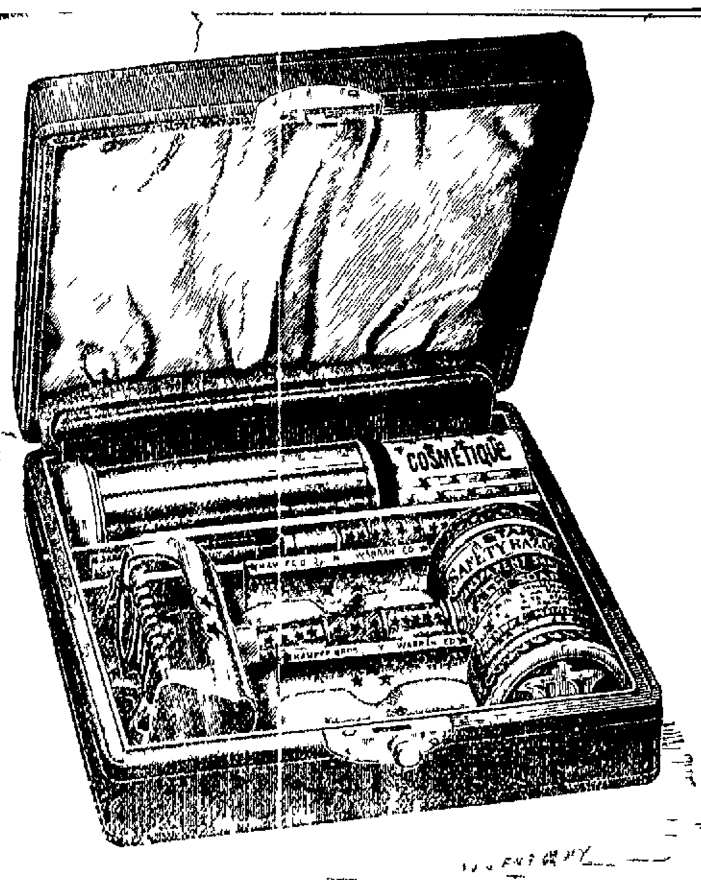

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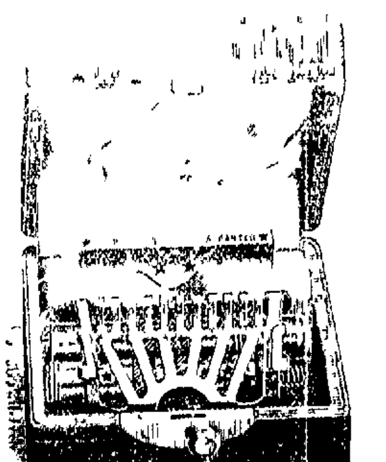

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Don't forget the South Water street grocers, Hanks & Patterson They have fresh butter and eggs, and deliver all orders promptly

OPENING of the regular half term of Musical College Monday, Dec 19th Pupils will be received at any time d6

THE county board is considering the removal of the powder magazines on East Wood street The residents of that vicinity are alarmed and wanted the location changed

RING up Niedermeyer by telephone and order stock feed, delivered to any part of the city

"ALONE IN LONDON" will be presented Saturday night by Col Sinn's English company, with Cora Tanner as the heroine.

The greatest cure on earth for pain, Salvation Oil, sing the refrain.

"You out to-day, my friend, in this cold wind? I thought you were sick in bed with a cold" He said nothing but smiled a jolly smile and led me to the apothecary's shop, and pointing to a big advertisement of Dr Bull's Cough Syrup, said 'Thereby hangs the tale, that tells the story"

TELL your grocer to send you White Loaf and Daily Bread flour You will like it

DON'T fail to read the list of The Art Books, and lists of standard authors in J H Bevans' standing adv't dec7-dtf

THE Hercules white shirts are the best and only one dollar LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w

READ Knode & Osborne's grocery advertisement, and then buy table supplies at their store.

A Novel Party

The birthdays of Ira and Dot Clokey were celebrated at the J M Clokey apartments in St John's Place yesterday afternoon As an extra treat for the party they all went to the opera house in a body to witness the performance given by the Mrs Tom Thumb company It was interesting for the big folks to see the little ones come into the hall two by two—boy and girl and take their seats in the parquette where 37 chairs had been reserved for the guests of Ira and Dot They were Jennie Chambers, Annie Packard, Bonnie Bartholomew, Annie and Sadie Robey, Edna Vosburgh, Edith Race, Alice Hatcher, Madge Hays, Francis Moore Zella Ewing, Pussy Hoskins, May Mills, Bessie Young, Frank Hays, Murray Millikin Henry Stevens Walter Mills, Paul Macoughtry, George Ennis, Teddie Hitchcock, Edgar Quinlan, Erskine Guyton, Earl Bartholomew, Thordie Ewing and George Durfee The party was chaperoned by Mrs J M Clokey, assisted by the Misses Grace Macoughtry and Ella Rice. Mr Clokey was there to aid in the care of the party

FOR forty years Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has been demonstrated to be the most reliable remedy in use, for colds, coughs, and lung diseases. Slight colds should not be neglected The Pectoral will prevent their becoming chronic

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THE children of "Grace Mission" will give on Thursday evening, December 22d, at the East Eldorado Guild Hall a musical entertainment which will be opened with a chorus of human sunflowers who will give selections from the operas Martha, Bohemian Girl, Mikado, etc., concluding with the cantata, "Santa-Claus' Mistake," or "A Bundle of Sticks" Proceeds to go towards the children's Xmas Give them a liberal patronage nov13dtd

THE Christmas plush goods, displayed at W. C Armstrong's drug store are greatly admired by the ladies and gentleman who have no trouble in making quick selections at reasonable figures The assortment most embraces all manner of plush toilet articles, useful and ornamental 10d-6

THE SPENCER & LEHMAN Co sell the old reliable Peter Shuttler and Moline Wagons. Nov 9 d&wtf

HILL & BEATTY, south side Central Park, sell the celebrated Standard Rotary Sewing Machine This machine is acknowledged by all unprejudiced mechanics and sewing machine experts to be superior to anything else in the world in its line for durability power, speed, ease of operation, elegance of finish and beauty Call at their store and see the Standard in operation n18-d&w1m

Revival Services at Stapp's Chapel.

Last evening being the usual Wednesday evening prayer service, a large class of the attendants were of those who never go to any church The minister took for his theme the Prodigal Son, and graphically described how with pompous pride he went out from his father's house bouyant and elated His seeking a far country so that parental restraining influences would not interfere with his pleasures. Of the many friends(?)—of course, that arose around him to partake of the pleasures that his inheritance brought him. Then when dire disaster had overtaken him, in want, penury and rags, he resolved upon his future course, to retrace his steps and return to his father's house. On that resolve hung his eternal destiny for weal or woe. It is a notable fact that he did not make himself a citizen of that country. There is a ray of hope to any prodigal, who has not made citizenship in the condition in which he has gone. Feeding swine, how revolting to a Jew to do such menial service, but it was in this work that he came to himself. Oh where had he been all this time, that he should now *come to himself* This caused him to think, and thinking to resolve to return to his father's house When the decision is made the work practically is accomplished. The father sees the wanderer return, though changed in appearance the parental eye knows his son and receives him with a rejoicing heart The cross is the meeting place between the penitent and God the Father

Services at 2 30 and 7 p m Everybody invited

Our Member

The following reference of local interest is made by the Bloomington *Pantagraph* to our member of congress

"The naming of Capt Rowell as the head of the republican wing of the elections committee of the house is highly complimentary to his standing in that body Capt. Rowell was made a member of the elections committee of the Forty-ninth congress by Speaker Carlisle and served with such ability as to give him the name of being one of the best men of either party on it In the contested election cases which are to come before the house this winter, he will have an excellent field for the display of his ability as a lawyer and his discriminating sense of justice and fairness in the conflicting claims presented. The Fourteenth district will have a good report from its member.

Entertainment

at Edmond street Mission Chapel on the evening of Dec. 16th. Doors open at 7.30. Tickets 25 cents. This school numbers about 200 children. They need more seats, more literature, more money for a free entertainment on Christmas. It is a good school. Buy a ticket and thus help it in its good work. 12d5t

GO TO The Spencer & Lehman Co for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps. Nov 9-d&wtf

GO TO Cheap Charley's clothing house d&wtf

Dress Goods,

In French, German and American Novelties, very handsome and cheap, just received LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w

LIGHT WEIGHT Flannel Shirts, neatly made perfect fits, elegant shades, well adapted for clerks, book keepers and business men generally, at B STINE's.

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Publication Notice in Chancery.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court—To the January Term, A D 1888

Mary C Moreland versus John R Moreland—In Chancery Bill for Divorce No 12,966

Notice is hereby given to you, the said John R Moreland respondent in the above entitled cause, that Mary C Moreland, the complainant in the same, has heretofore filed in said court on the chancery side thereof, her bill of complaint against you, the said respondent, for a divorce, and that a summons in chancery thereupon issued out of said court against you in said cause, returnable at the court house of said county, in the city of Decatur on the first day of the next term of said court, to wit on the second Monday in the month of January, A D 1888, and that said suit is still pending in said court

D McCLELLAN, Clerk

WM T CUSSINS, Complainant's Solicitor nov29-d4w

Notice.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided that on Thursday, the 22d day of December instant, I will cause to be presented to His Excellency the Governor of Illinois at the Executive Department at Springfield Ill, my application for pardon for the offense for which I am now imprisoned in the Illinois state penitentiary

HARRY GRIFFIN

DECATUR, ILL. Dec 1st 1887. d3w*

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Just received, a Large Invoice of

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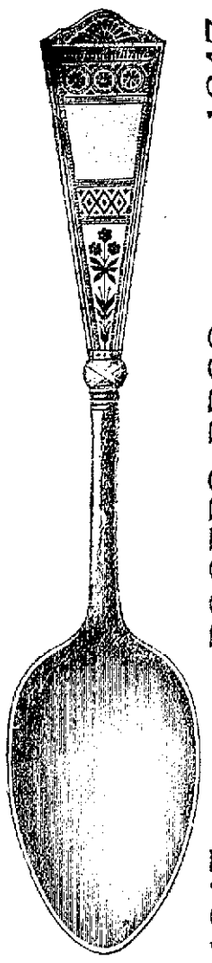

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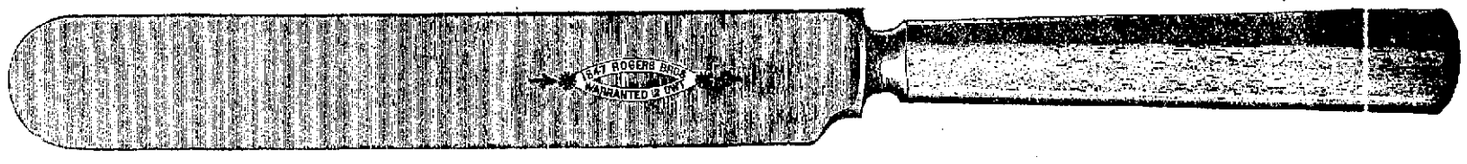
Don't Buy a Tea Set until You Have Seen Ours.



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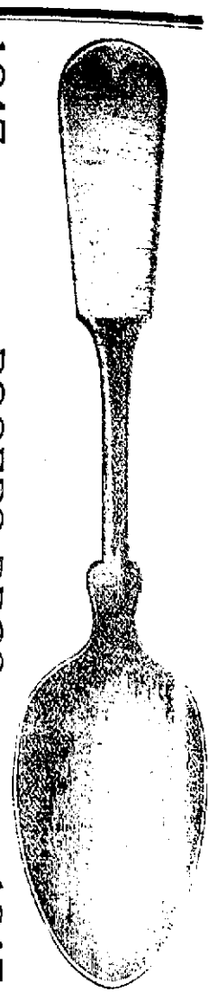
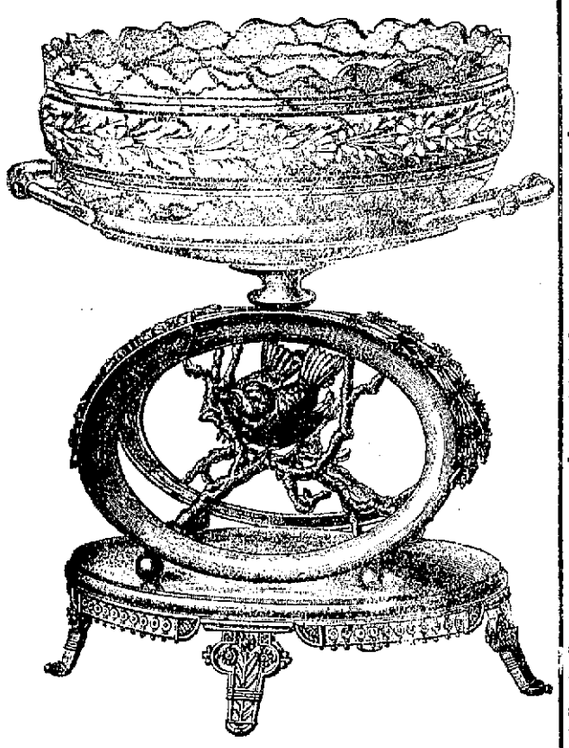
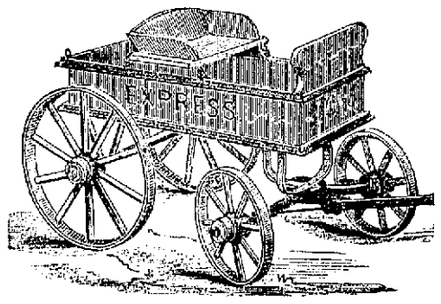
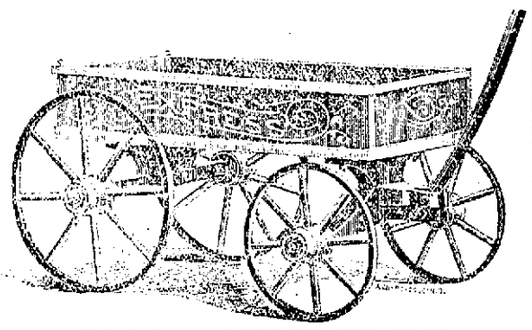
Remember our goods in this are the BEST. If you want Knives, Forks or Spoons, come to us.









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Our line of Lamps was never so great. We will give you Lamps from $2.00 to $18.00 each. No more *useful* present than this can be given.

PLUSH GOODS

We can truthfully say that our stock in this line is the LARGEST ever shown in our city. You can get anything you want in this from us.

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We want you to give this line a close inspection. You will find many new and attractive pieces among them. Any one of them will please you.

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One of the most useful lamps ever invented. Stands on the floor and can be adjusted to any height. Desirable present for Lady or Gentleman.

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We are able to furnish you anything in this line that you want—Knives, Forks, Spoons, Casters, Butter Dishes, Cake Baskets, Fruit Dishes, &c.

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All the *go* for Boys. We have an endless variety of them, at any price you want to pay.

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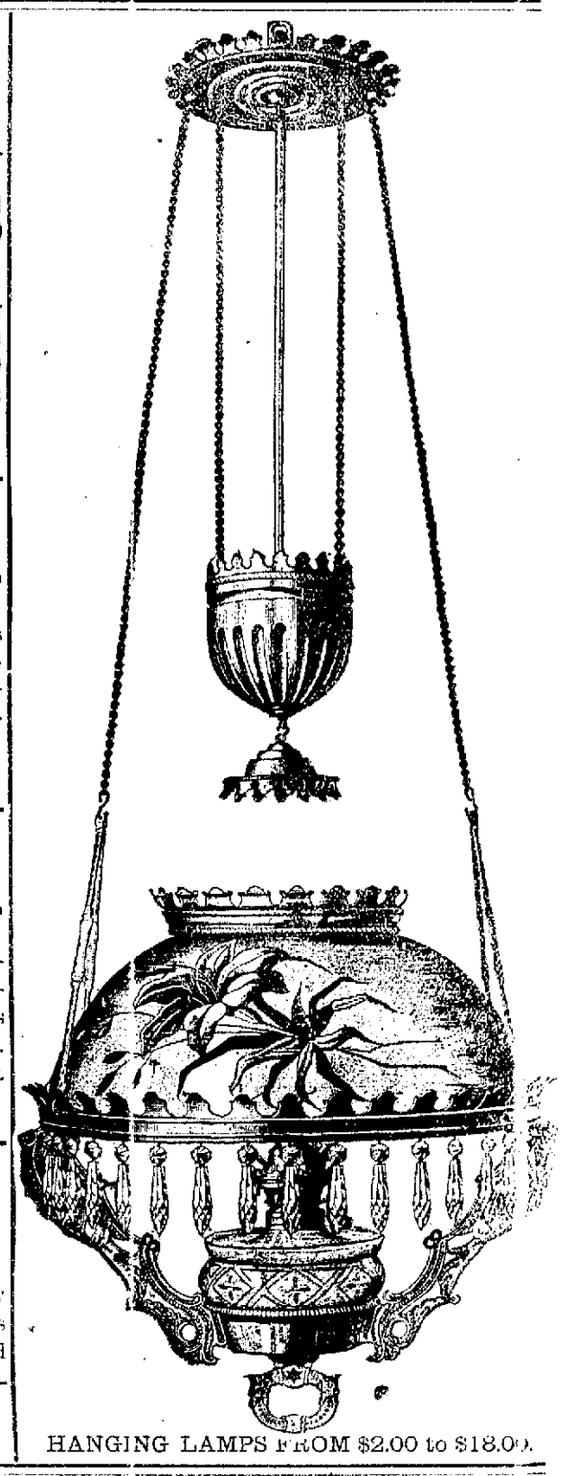

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